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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to Applicant(s) duty of disclosure, the information listed in the attached form PTO-1449 is brought to the attention of the Examiner. It is respectfully submitted that copies of the U.S. references listed are not required since this application was filed after June 30, 2003 pursuant to 51 C.F.R. 1.98. A copy of the foreign reference listed on form PTO-1449 is enclosed.

Applicant would also like to bring commonly-owned U.S. Application Serial No. 10/718,114 filed on November 20, 2003, International Application No. PCT/US03/37110 filed on November 20, 2003, to the Examiner's attention. Copies of these applications are enclosed.

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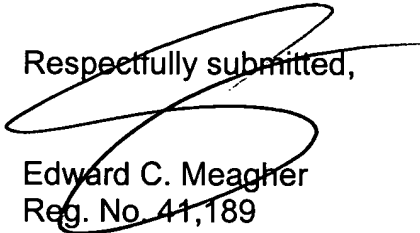
- ☐ This information disclosure statement is being filed within three (3) months of the filing date of this application.
- ☐ This information disclosure statement is being filed within three (3) months of the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.491 in an international application.
- ☒ To the best of Applicant(s) knowledge, this information disclosure statement is being filed before the date of mailing of a first Office Action on the merits in connection with this case.
- ☐ Enclosed herewith is a certificate under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e)(1).
- ☐ Enclosed herewith is a petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(d)(ii).
- ☐ Enclosed by check is the petition fee of \$130.00. (37 C.F.R. §1.17(i)(1))
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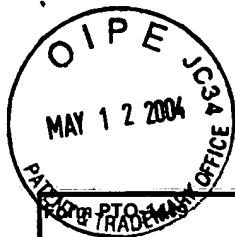
The claims of the application as now presented are believed to patentably distinguish over the prior art and to be in condition for allowance. Early and favorable consideration of the case is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,


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	5,157,603	10/20/92	SCHELLER ET AL.			
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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